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Chief, Legislation Division
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SUBJECT: H.R. 4681, the Federal Polygraph Limitation
and Anti-Censorship Act of 1984

1. The House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service on 27 June 1984 marked up and reported out H.R. 4681, the Federal Polygraph Limitation and Anti-Censorship Act of 1984. During the mark-up, the Committee substituted Representative Schroeder's amendment (H.R. 5866) for the original Brooks bill and reported this bill out of Committee without any further revisions or changes.

2. A copy of the Schroeder amendment is attached hereto. This bill essentially provides that, with the exception of CIA and NSA, federal agencies may not require employees to take polygraph examinations except on a voluntary basis as part of a specific investigation into alleged criminal conduct. Similarly, with the exception of CIA and NSA, agencies may not require employees to enter into prepublication review agreements, and are required to rescind any such agreements entered into prior to the effective date of this legislation.

3. Our own House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) and the House Armed Services Committee (HASC) have both requested sequential referral of the attached bill. With respect to HPSCI, after the Post Office and Civil Service Committee prepares and issues its report on the attached bill, HPSCI will have 20 legislative days in which to consider the attached bill. As to this required report on H.R. 4681, the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee has not yet commenced writing the report. We understand that the Committee intends to closely consult with the staffs of HPSCI and the HASC in preparing the report. A completed report is not expected, at the earliest, until sometime after the July

recess. Given the length of time that the preparation of this report and the subsequent referral of the bill to HPSCI and HASC will entail, the bill may never reach the floor for consideration by the entire House.

4. We will be working closely with HPSCI in their negotiations with the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee concerning this proposed report and will keep you apprised of any developments on this matter.



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Attachment

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